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Russell M. Aoki's practice emphasizes criminal defense and business litigation. He has served as a judge *pro tem*, mediator, arbitrator, special master and special disciplinary counsel for the Washington State Bar Association. He has been a Criminal Justice Act Panel attorney for over 25 years and a former CJA District Representative for the Western District of Washington. Mr. Aoki also serves as a National Coordinating Discovery Attorney for the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, Defender Services Office, to provide litigation support assistance on complex criminal cases. He has been appointed by U.S. District Courts over 100 times in 28 jurisdictions.

From 2006 to 2009 Mr. Aoki served on the Washington State Bar Association's Board of Governors, during which he was the Treasurer. Mr. Aoki also served as the Washington State Supreme Court's appointee to the Office of Public Defense Advisory Committee for 12 years. He is the past Board President of Northwest Defender Association, past President of the Asian Bar Association of Washington and a past Trustee of the King County Bar Association. He served as a trustee for the Legal Foundation of Washington from 2013 to 2017.

Mr. Aoki has been named one of the top 25 Criminal Defense Attorneys in Washington by *Washington Law & Politics* from 2006 to 2012 and one of the top Criminal Defense Attorneys in Seattle by *Seattle Metropolitan Magazine*, July 2010 and *Seattle Magazine*, January 2007. Mr. Aoki is AV rated by *Martindale Hubbell* and is the 2016 recipient of the Washington State Bar Association's President's Award for his contribution to the legal profession. He was featured in the *King County Bar Bulletin*, *Profile: Russ Aoki Doing the Heavy Lifting*, February 2019.